

Every journey starts with a single step. This year, take charge of your finances by setting SMART goals that pave your way to success. Use this worksheet to chart your course.

## **SMART Goal Breakdown**

Specific: Define the destination—what do you want to achieve?
My goal is
Example: Budget to build an emergency fund. I will aim to save \$6,000 by the end of the year.
Measurable: Track your progress along the way.
I will track my progress by
Example: Using my SouthState mobile app to track my savings progress each month.
Achievable: Ensure your journey is realistic based on your current resources.
I will achieve this goal by
Example: Automating my finances. I will set up an automatic transfer to deduct \$250 each bi-weekly paycheck.
Relevant: Choose a goal that aligns with your bigger picture.
This goal helps me because
Example: Saving \$6,000 will put me in a better financial position in the future. If disaster were to strike, I would have a safety net to fall back on as opposed to racking up high-interest credit card debt.
Time-Bound: Set a timeline to reach the finish line.
I will complete this goal by (date)
Example: The end of the year December 31.

The journey to financial success is made of small, intentional steps. SouthState is here to guide you every step of the way.

